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What is claimed is:

1. A disposable diaper comprising

body means being formed as a single piece having two enlarged opposed portions and an intermediate portion disposed between said end portions, said body means being arranged to be worn by an individual,

waist band means being formed on opposite edge portions of the opposed end portions,

attachment means affixed to one of said opposed end portions and having members to be affixed to the other of said opposed end portions, said waist band means forming a substantially continuous waist band to be positioned generally around the waist of the individual,

said waist band means including external padding means extending along said opposite edge portions for generally covering the exposed surfaces of said waist band means, said padding means extending substantially the extent of said waist band means when worn by the individual.

2. The disposable diaper according to Claim 1 wherein said padding means includes strips of material formed from a soft substance, said strips of material being arranged over said waist band means.

3. The disposable ^{diaper} ~~diaper~~ according to Claim 2 wherein said strips of material are folded lengthwise over said opposite edge portions of said opposite end portions.

4. The disposable diaper according to Claim 2 wherein said intermediate portion includes opposite edge sections defining leg holes when said body means is worn, second padding means being provided over said edge portions of said intermediate portions to provide soft material in contact with the individual.

5. The disposable diaper of Claim 4 wherein said second padding means is at least one soft strip of material affixed to each of said opposite edge portions of said edge sections of said intermediate portion.

6. The disposable diaper of Claim 5 wherein said at least one strip of material is lengthwise bent over each of said opposite edge sections.

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